Favorite AFRO boy contest still close

There's still not much change in the standings of the Favorite Newsboy Contest. Fatha Mohamed is still the leader, but his ead is only slightly more than William Porter of Glen Burnie who has 100,500.

Mr. Mohamed's 114,400 votes is growing and most participants seem to feel that "a mere 6,000 votes isn't enough to assure a lead that will last."

The least of the Top 20 holders is now at 14,400 but only two participants have crossed the 100,000 mark. The standings of the top 20 follows:

1. Fatha Mohamed Northwest Area 114,400
2. William Porter Glen Burnie Area 108,500
3. George Smith Southwest Area 72,000
4. Donald W. Walters Northwest Area 69,500
5. Gilbert Nipper Northwest Area 63,700
6. Michael Seitz Govans Area 54,700
7. Joseph Middleton Turner Station Area 53,300
8. Joseph Gamble Northwest Area 46,900
9. Estella Dixon Northwest Area 38,800
10. Samuel Anderson Northwest Area 34,400
11. Dennis L. S. Hutcherson III Lexington Park, Md. 33,600
12. Ronald Williams Ashburton Area 33,200
13. Nathaniel White Brooklyn Area 28,700
14. Dorian C. Carr Northwest Area 23,700
15. James Morgan Jr. Northwest Area 21,900
16. Malcolm Anderson Northwest Area 21,700
17. James Saunders Northwest Area 19,900
18. Horace Holmes Northwest Area 18,200
19. Stephen Ward Northwest Area 16,700
20. Lenard Corbett Northwest Area 14,400
Michael Ashley Northwest Area 13,900
Malcolm Anderson Northwest Area 21,700
Samuel Anderson Northwest Area 34,400
Ronnie Barber Govans Area 8,000
Dorian C. Carr Northwest Area 23,700
Dennis Carter Northwest Area 4,400
Leonard Corbett Northwest Area 14,400
James Colbert III 12,500
Larry Crosby Northwest Area 600
Jack Cross Northwest Area 6,700
Jeffrey Spriggs 5,500
Gregory Stanton Northwest Area 4,200
Reginald Stewart Northwest Area 700
LaVille Strong Northwest Area 1,600
Jesse Vice Jr.
Northeast Area 6,900
Stephen Ward Northwest Area 16,700
Donald W. Walters Northwest Area 69,500
Ronald Williams Ashburton Area 33,200
Nathaniel White Brooklyn Area 28,700
George Wormley Northwest Area 13,800
Albert York Northwest Area 1,000
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CONVALESCING — All-Pro guard Earl Monroe of the Baltimore Bullets, is convalescing at Kernan Hospital following surgery on both knees for relief of a chronic arthritis condition. Monroe had bursa sacs removed from both knees, a calcium deposit from the left one and a spur on the right kneecap. He also had a hemorrhoid condition corrected. Monroe will be in splints for two weeks, inactive for for at least two months.

COMMENCEMENTS

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Edmondson High School, Civic Center, 8 p.m.

JUNE 14
Carver Vocational-Technical, Civic Center, 8 p.m.
Cardinal Gibbons High, 5 p.m. in school gym.

JUNE 15
Forest Park High School, Civic Center, 8 p.m.

JUNE 16
Patterson High School, Civic Center, 8 p.m.

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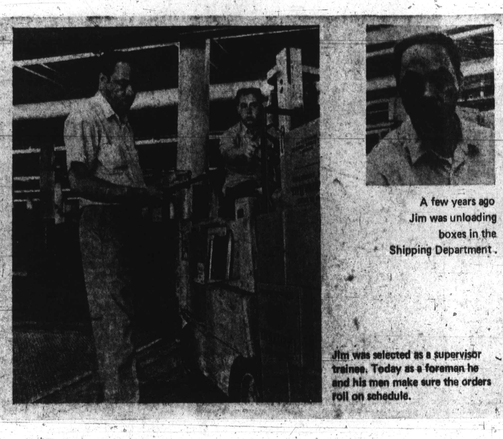

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high hard one with not even a curve on it" meaning, he explained that the proponents of the bill seek control of the School Board and have used this year's fiscal deficit of three and a half million dollars as a means of getting it.

The gist of the conflict of the Resolution which will be placed on the ballot in November is according to its proponent, "simply a matter of fiscal responsibility".

W. Donald Schaefer, president of the City Council supported the bill. He says "its unfair for anyone to say the Resolution injects politics into the running of the Department of Education. It just means that the Department will have to present before the Council its annual budget like everyone else.

"When it comes up before the voters in November they will decide if they want the Department to continue to spend money any way they want or that they want this money to be spent within the budgetary framework as every other agency does".

The City Charter has historically allwed the School Board to exist under a structure which made it autonomous in its fiscal and administrative policies.

The budget of the Department of Education has always been submitted to the Board of Estimates but the professional staff of the Department has been free to run the system and make expenditures according to its own discretion.

Deficits accrued in years past have been made up by transferring funds. This year, Superintendent Thomas D. Sheldon has requested a transfer of three and a half million dollars to make up the deficit. It has met with much disapproval.

Mr. Schaefer's major complaint on the School Superintendent's request is the transferrance of $721,000 which was earmarked for maintenance plant operations.

"We worked too hard," the Council president declared, "to get the money to bring the schools up to local code standards to have the money snatched away so that the job of reaching code standards would be set back."

Without the transfer, Dr. Sheldon claims he will have to lay-off 185 teachers in the coming fiscal year. To this Mr. Schaefer says, "there can be no cut in occupied jobs. The mayor won't stand for it. "I think this is just one of those old tricks".

Underlining all of this however is the running verbal battle on and off the public scene which assertions to the contrary is a racial one.

All observers agree that the Board of School Commissioners, comprised of four blacks and one white (the liberal controlling bloc), and the four whites (of conservative leanings), has caused some stirring within the Council.

On the other hand in the Council itself, when it is faced with an issue with racial (black) overtones, the four black Council members have only Councilman, Alexander Stark (5th D.) who usually votes with them against the majority of the Council, all white which usually votes together.

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City Hall observers told this reporter that the racial implications of the Board and the Council's make-up have not been overlooked.

The result is that "some are considering that in '71, with perhaps eight black Councilmen and a controlling black majority on the School Board, Council control of the purse strings may be desired".

What the man in the middle of all this has to say, Dr. Sheldon, is that "the result of Ordinance 390 is political involvement in the decisions of the Department of Education.

"It makes administration each time an adjustment is logistically difficult because each time an adjustment is to be made we would have to peer down the rules and see if it is possible. If not we have to go to the Council.

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"It will also result in neighborhood arguing at a high rate when concerned citizens come before the School Board to question why certain things are not being done for students".

Dr. Sheldon said the relationship is "very much healthy".

As to the alleged "racial undertones" of both the Council and the School Board he declares "I've not seen racism in any of the decisions by either agency".

Larry S. Gibson, a member of the Board of School Commissioners, denies there is any racial conflict on the Board. What there is, he explains, is a "liberal-conservative split in the areas of civil liberties and such issues".

For those who are interested in the truth, Mr. Gibson points out, they would need only look at the voting record of the Board to see that on many issues the liberals have voted with the conservatives and vice versa.

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On the matter of Resolution 390, Mr. Gibson believes "the consequence of the resolution puts, in a very direct way, political consideration into the education system."

Attorney Gibson added that in the area of need most people effected by such a move are politically unsophisticated in some respect and will be the benefits available to politicians.

"There are members of the Council who have threatened the Board in a variety of ways and this resolution restructures the relationship of the Council and the Board which allows the Council to have a say in the long standing tradition of keeping political consideration out of School Board activities".

Mr. Gibson declared emphatically that "nothing good can come out of this situation".

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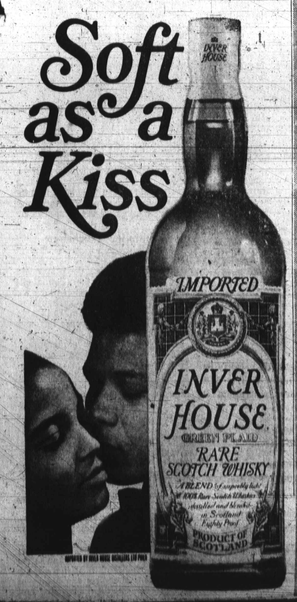

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